

Lake County, Indiana Korean War Soldiers

This is a combined list of soldiers from the Korean War who were from or their last residence was Lake County, Indiana.

We have included local soldiers who did not die in battle, but were still active duty when they died under other circumstances.

Information researched for this list is a combination of the following sources:

The Hammond Times

Ancestry.com

U.S. Military Fatal Casualties of the Korean War for Home-State-of-Record: Indiana

source: Korean War Extract Data file, as of April 29, 2008, of the Defense Casualty Analysis System (DCAS) Files, part of Record Group 330: Records of the Office of the Secretary of Defense

<https://www.archives.gov/files/research/military/korean-war/casualty-lists/in-alpha.pdf>

List: Korean Casualties Five Indiana Counties, Lake, Porter, La Porte, Newton and Jasper

source: Korean Conflict Casualty File 1950-1957
Korean Casualty List, Department of Veterans Affairs, Indianapolis, IN
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Name	Rank	Org	DOB	DOD	Type/Cause	Hometown	Remains Recovered	Notes
Abraham, Norbert J.	PFC	Army	08/14/25	06/21/51	Died of Wounds	Crown Point	Y	
Bauer, Gerald W.	PFC	Army	05/09/32	12/15/51	In Line of Duty	Whiting/Hammond	Y	not on lists
Anderson, Perry Arnold	PFC	Army	07/15/30	07/12/50	Killed in Action	Hobart	Y	
Bac, Edward J.	PFC	Army	12/16/26	02/05/52	Killed in Action	East Chicago	Y	
Baker, David	PVT	Army	1932	11/28/50	Died While Missing	East Gary	N/Y 2018	
Bauer, Gerald William	PFC	Army	05/09/32	12/15/51	Non- Hostile – Died of Other Causes	Hammond/Whiting	Y	not on lists
Bellar, Lowell Wayne	PFC	Army	07/15/31	12/01/50	Killed in Action	Gary	N/Y 2001 – 2005	
Blair, Robert R.	PFC	Army	06/25/31	09/01/50	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	Chicago/Hammond Address
Blazejewski, Edward Frank	CPL	Army	10/04/25	11/01/50	Killed in Action	Munster/ Elizabeth, Union, NJ	Y	can't verify LC
Bloom, Charles	PVT	Army	09/09/26	03/10/51 or 09/03/1951	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Brazell, George Jr.	PVT	Army	12/05/26	03/10/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Brazil, James	PVT	Army	09/28/30	03/09/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Certa, Joseph	SGT	Army	06/29/24	09/07/50	Killed in Action	Hessville	Y	
Chmielewski, Alban	PFC	Army	03/07/27	04/24/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Chulibrk, Dan Donald	PFC	Army	01/01/32	06/11/53	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	
Colleran, James Robert	SN	Navy	07/15/31	09/26/50	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Conde, Louis Bernard	CPL	Army	08/20/29	01/29/52	Died While Missing	Gary	N	
Crago, William E.	PFC	Army	04/07/28	07/26/51	Killed in Action	East Gary	Y	
Cranor, George Eldon	PFC	Army	10/29/30	11/28/50	Killed in Action	Whiting /Robertsdale	N	
Cummins, Robert Lee	PVT	Army	03/16/32	05/17/53	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	

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Currin, Willie L.	CPL	Army	12/01/22	11/20/50	Died of Wounds	Gary	Y	
Decker, Raymond Alfred	1STLT	Air Force	02/27/23	07/19/51	Died While Missing	Gary/Hobart	N	other DOD 12/31/53
Durakovich, Joseph	SFC	Army	08/27/20	11/28/50	Died While Missing	Gary	N/Y 2017	remains found 2002
Edwards, Victor Milton	CPL	Army	01/11/31	10/04/51	Killed in Action	East Chicago	Y	
Enright, William Chester	SGT	USMC	08/08/16	12/02/50	Killed in Action	Hammond	N	
Erler, Theodore Russell	SGT	Marine Corps	03/05/29	08/12/50	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Farmer, James W.	CPL	Army	02/23/31	10/13/50	Killed in Action	St. John	Y	
Fierro, Jesse F.	CPL	Army	02/04/29	09/05/50	Died of Wounds	Gary	Y	
Fitzpatrick, Michael	PFC	Army	05/08/28	08/18/51	Killed in Action	Whiting	Y	
Harper, Bill Frank	PVT	Army	11/25/25	07/20/50	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Harris, Wilke Jr.	PVT	Army	1929	10/03/51	Killed in Action	Gary/Kentucky	Y	
Hayworth, Leonard Edward	CPL	Marine Corps	02/03/28	09/24/50	Killed in Action	Crown Point	Y	
Henderson, Harold L Jr.	CPL	Army	1928	03/17/52	Killed in Action	Crown Point	Y	
Hodge, William Morice	PVT	Army	02/28/31	07/26/50	Died While Missing		N	
Hukill, Paul Franklin	PVT	Army	07/18/32	11/30/50	Died While Captured		N	
Jaspersen, Charles L.	PFC	Army	04/25/27	11/26/50	Died of Wounds	Gary	Y	
Johnson, James W.	PVT	Army	04/10/31	05/29/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Jones, Thomas Leo	PFC	Marine Corps	07/28/29	09/19/51	Killed in Action	Lowell	Y	
Jurkowski, Robert J.	SGT	Army	11/27/31	11/26/50	Died of Wounds	Whiting	Y	
Kapitan, Steven C.	SGT	Army	11/26/24	12/07/51	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	
Kelly, Thomas	PVT	Army	05/29/29	05/25/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Killar, Paul Martin	PVT	Army	11/13/30	07/09/53	Died While Missing	Hammond	N	Purple Heart
Kleinfeldt, Harold L.	CPL	Army	04/01/31	09/01/50	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	
Kontos, James	PFC	Army	09/03/30	12/19/52	Non- Hostile – Died of Other Causes	Hammond	Y	not on lists
Kopscick, George Jr.	2LT	Army	01/22/29	09/02/50	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	Silver Star

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Korem, George R.	PFC	Army	03/03/15	07/20/50	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	
Kotur, Branko	PFC	Army	05/18/25	05/18/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Kresno, Joe Carl Jr.	PVT	Army	09/03/32	04/22/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Kyles, William Smith	PVT	Army	08/27/31	02/14/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Lane, Brink E.	PFC	Army	10/29/31	11/30/50	Killed in Action	East Chicago	Y	
Latanation, Mike	SFC	Army	05/28/22	07/20/50	Killed in Action	Whiting	Y	
Leeper, Gene N.	PFC	Army	10/28/30	03/24/53	Killed in Action	Garyton	Y	
Letinich, Ewald Antone	PFC	Army	06/19/27	02/25/52	Non- Hostile – Died of Other Causes	Gary	Y	not on lists
MacAdam, Richard Wayne	PFC	Army	04/24/28	11/21/51	Killed in Action	New York?	Y	Bronze Star/Purple Heart
Mace, Rolette	PVT	Army	1932	06/18/53	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Markus, George Joe	PFC	Marine Corps	10/21/28	09/11/51	Killed in Action	Hammond/Whiting	Y	
Mastabayvo, Steve Andrew	PVT	Army	10/02/30	08/14/52	Died While Missing	Gary	N	
Matson, Howard L.	PVT	Army	08/26/27	02/04/51	Killed in Action	Miller	Y	Purple Heart
McQuiston, Vance R.	SFC	Army	04/04/15	09/24/50	Killed in Action	Black Oak	Y	
Mitchell, Donald K.	CPL	Army	07/14/30	11/30/50	Killed in Action	Gary/Michigan	N	Purple Heart/Silver Star
Molenaar, George	SFC	Army	11/18/27	05/29/51	Died While Captured	Hammond/Chicago	N	not on lists
Moore, Claude Augustus. Jr.	SSGT	Marine Corps	06/11/20	01/25/51	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	
Moore, John D. Jr.	CPL	Army	1924	11/27/50	Died While Captured	Gary	N	
Morris, Clarence Taylor	PFC	Marine Corps	06/14/31	12/27/1952 or 12/01/1953	Killed in Action	Gary	N	
Neisz, Mike Elden Jr.	CPL	Army	11/29/30	12/01/50	Missing in Action	East Gary	N	not on lists – Purple Heart
Parr, Troy Delane	PVT	Army	1931	02/01/53	Non- Hostile – Died of Other Causes	Hammond	Y	not on lists

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Pepperine, William Albert	Seaman 1 st Class	US Navy	04/29/29	04/19/53	Non- Hostile – Died of Other Causes	Hammond	Y	not on lists
Pederson, Leroy O.	PFC	Army	08/28/25	12/01/50	Killed in Action	Indiana Harbor	Y	
Probus, David Alvin	Airman Second Class	USAF	04/24/33	02/26/54	Non- Hostile – Died of Other Causes	Hammond	Y	not on lists
Redigonda, Philip August	PFC	Marine Corps	04/20/29	10/02/50	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	Purple Heart
Rider, Alexander David	SSGT	Marine Corps	01/24/24	12/06/50	Killed in Action	Gary	N	
Riggins, Earl Lewis. Jr.	PVT	Army	06/09/28	02/04/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	
Sanchez, Jose	PFC	Army	06/09/31	11/24/51	Killed in Action	Indiana Harbor	Y	
Scheidt, Carl J.	CPL	Army	09/29/27	09/23/51	Killed in Action	Crown Point	Y	
Scherer, Edward Donald	CPL	Marine Corps	12/14/32	09/10/51	Died of Wounds	Whiting/Hammond	Y	
Schuster, Eugene A	PFC	Army	1931	03/08/51	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	
Serratto, Jose M.	PVT	Army	09/12/29	11/22/51	Killed in Action	East Chicago	Y	Silver Star
Serwise, Luther Dean	SGT	Army	02/13/17	02/12/51	Died While Missing	Gary	N	
Short, John Wesley	PFC	Army	10/15/31	12/01/50	Died While Captured	Hammond	Y	
Southard, Alfred Hall	PFC	Marine Corps	02/08/35	05/07/54	Non- Hostile – Died of Other Causes	NC/Whiting	Y	not on lists
Strzelecki, Henry T	CPL	Army	1928	09/09/51	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	
Talley, James Willis	PVT	Army	12/12/28	11/26/50	Killed in Action	Gary	N	
Thomas, Robert J.	2NDLT	USAF	03/23/28	04/21/51	Died While Missing	Hammond	Y	Or 03/03/1951 date of crash
Toth, Sigmond Lester	MSGT	Army	09/11/25	04/09/51	Killed in Action	East Chicago	Y	Purple Heart
Van Til, Donald Glenn	PFC	Marine Corps	12/18/30	03/11/52	Killed in Action	Highland	Y	
Voight, John Henry	PVT	Army	10/18/27	06/04/51	Killed in Action	Whiting	Y	
Wasiak, Richard Lawrence	PFC/CPL	Army	05/30/31	12/02/50	Died of Wounds	Indiana Harbor	N	
White, Sherman Howard	SGT	Army	09/26/16	11/04/50	Died While Missing	Hammond	Y	

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Willardo, Joseph W. Jr.	PVT	Army	04/09/28	07/08/51	Killed in Action	East Chicago	Y	
Wilson, Roy Standford Jr.	PVT	Army	06/27/31	07/08/51	Killed in Action	Gary	Y	Purple Heart
Windrich, William Gordon	SSGT	Marine Corps	05/14/21	12/02/50	Killed in Action	Hammond	Y	Congressional Medal of Honor
Yuritic, George	PFC	Army	08/03/29	08/07/52	Killed in Action	East Chicago	Y	
Zekucia, Bernard M.	CPL	Army	04/10/28	08/27/51	Killed in Action	Gary	N	